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1. That the Capital of the Company be increased from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000 by the creation of 10,000 new shares of \$20 each.
2. That such new shares be issued at a premium of \$30 per share and be offered to those persons who are registered as shareholders of the Company on 1st October, 1904, in the proportion of one new share for every complete three shares held by them on 1st October 1904.
3. That the amount due for the new shares be called up on 31st December, 1904.
Dated the 15th August, 1904.
By Order of the Board,
EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.

ZETLAND LODGE.
No. 525, E.C.
A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at FREEMASONS' HALL, on THURSDAY, the 1st September, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, August 23, 1904. 1553

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HAROLD C. AUSTEN,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, August 29, 1904. 1554

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AQUATIC SPORTS, 1904.
THE COMMITTEE of the VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB request the pleasure of the COMPANY of the LADIES of Hongkong at the CLUB ENCLOSURE, Austin Road, Kowloon, on WEDNESDAY, 7th and SATURDAY, 17th September, at 4 p.m. sharp, on the occasion of the Annual Aquatic Sports.

By kind permission of Lieut. Colonel G. H. WATTS and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battalion Sherwood Foresters will play Selections during the afternoon.
HAROLD C. AUSTEN,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, August 29, 1904. 1555

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LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, August 29.

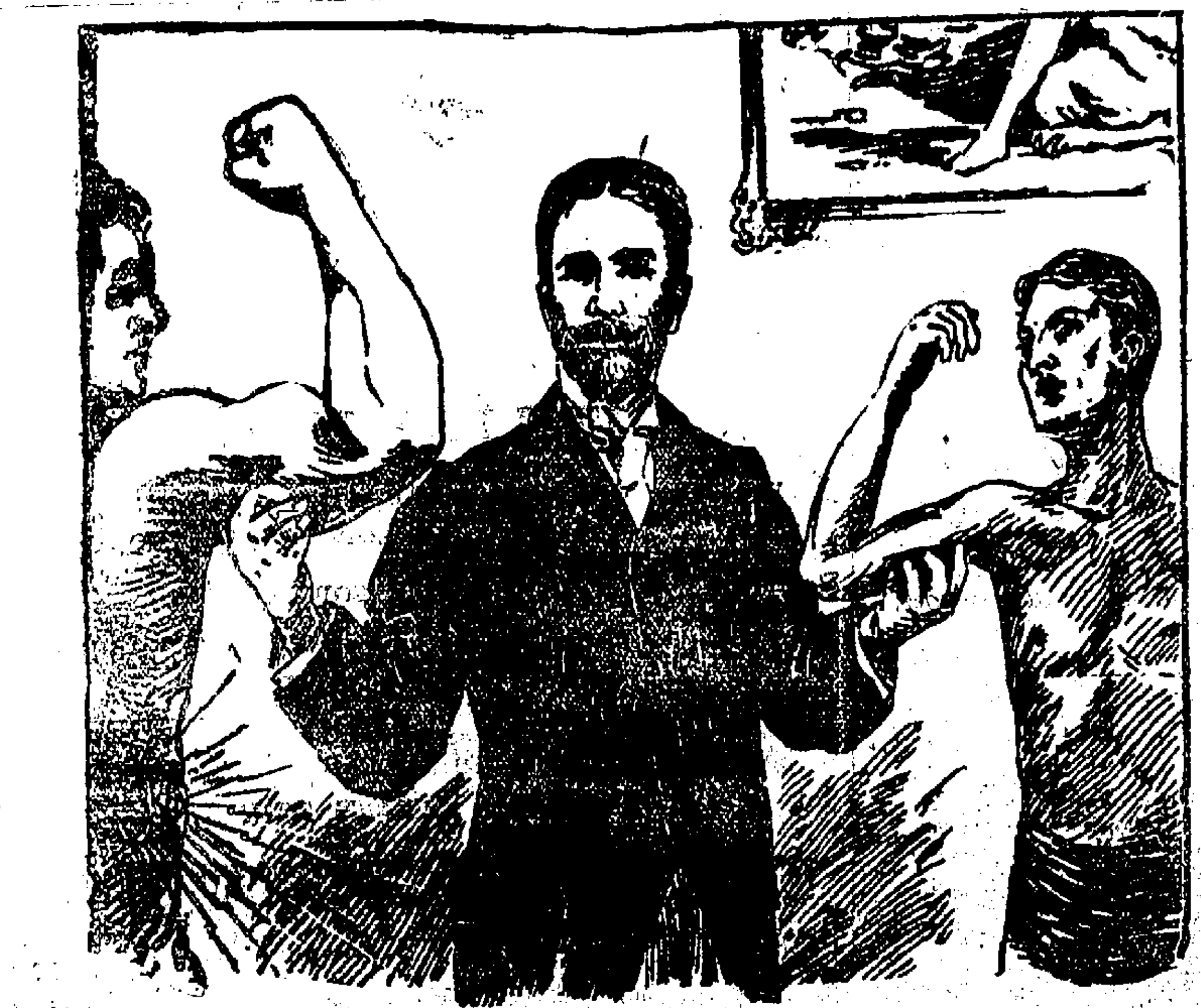
Our strenuous and industrious King has been resting this week as far as he ever allows himself to rest. This means three visits of state, about a dozen receptions of diplomats and Generals, and three days at Goodwood. There he was joined by the Prince of Wales who is likely to break the Victorian tradition and become interested in the national sport of horse racing. Their Majesties leave to-morrow for the Isle of Wight, where they will witness motor-boat races. We are in full view of the end of the farcical session of Parliament. Some real work has been done, but totally disproportionate to the time that has been wasted, and the usual measure of the innocents, contentious bills that there is now hope of passing, is taking place. The Aliens Bill is only one out of a number that would have found their place on the statute book if our form of Parliamentary government had been in the least degree business-like.

The Inter-Departmental Committee on Physical Degeneration has reported, and finds that there is no evidence that there is any such thing. We are not weaker or punier than our ancestors. This is not due to our living more healthy lives, but to the progress of sanitation which makes unhealthy living less dangerous than it used to be. It was well said the other day that the late Sir John Simon by sanitary reform saved more lives in fifty years than were destroyed by the armies of the world in the same period, but thousands are saved in spite of themselves. One astonishing discovery by the Committee is that an increase in wages means an increase in drunkenness, lunacy and crime. Men continue to mispend their earnings, and the more they earn the more they invest in diseases. The Committee conclude their report with a list of fifty-three suggestions, all eminently desirable, but if an attempt is to be made by legislation, instead of such education as will lead people to carry them out voluntarily for themselves, our government will become the most amiably despotic grandmother that the world has yet seen.

The clouds are gathering thickly round Russia. Kuropatkin's every movement brings him another defeat and a further retirement. The Vladivostok squadron alone continues its series of glorious victories over merchant shipping, while its behaviour in the *Altunian* and *Knight Commander* cases threatens to prove a serious breach of international law. Then again the audacious and illegal seizures in the Red Sea have compelled the Czar's government, with some loss of dignity, to withdraw from the Volunteer fleet the duty of search and seizure. The *Konigsberg* case has shed a flood of light on Russia's police methods, and she must accept most of the discredit, though the proceedings were nominally the acts of a Prussian court, misinstructed by a Russian Consul, and set in motion with the consent if not at the instigation of the Russian Ambassador at Berlin. A group of smugglers were engaged in sending bales of Socialist pamphlets into Russia. The Russian Consul was invited to declare the nature of these pamphlets and supplied the court with quotations and translations. His 'quotations' proved to be mutilated, distorted, and some of them even forged by himself.

But it is within Russia, in St. Petersburg itself, that yesterday gave us the crowning proof of the utter rottenness of the Russian Government. A single assassination does not prove a country to be misgoverned, but a long period of tyranny punctuated with such outrages is a damning proof of the incompetence of the administration under which it occurs. M. Sipiagin, Minister of the Interior, was murdered on April 15, 1902, and was succeeded by M. de Plehve, who in his turn was blown to pieces yesterday. Agents of his tyranny, like General Bobrikoff, have again and again been victims of similar crimes, and the event will repeat itself till the necessity for Witte's policy of progress and education is driven into the minds of the government. Experience is a hard school, but fools will learn in no other.

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THE REPUBLICANISM OF
CHINA.

I.

WHILST our gossips are conjuring up

imaginary horrors and shuddering at the

supposed 'yellow peril' of the future, it

may be worth while to say a few words

touching the liberal and democratic

tendencies which pervade the whole of

Chinese life. It will come rather as an

astonishment to most people to be told

that there is more freedom in China

than in almost any country except Great

Britain. In order to make this clear,

it is first necessary to enquire what is

freedom; and this is best done by ex-

amining into what constitutes the

absence of freedom. In the first place

there is absolute liberty of movement

throughout the whole Chinese Empire.

No man need apply for a passport, either

in order to visit neighbouring villages,

districts, provinces, or in order to go

abroad. Every man has his domicile, it

is true; but that is entirely a matter of

family interest, unless the individual

concerned be connected with officialdom,

or be 'wanted' for any legal purpose.

There is seldom any need for an honest

man to conceal the place of his origin,

and in any case his dialect speaks for

him; the nearer he is to his home the

more exactly he can be located; a fellow

provincial can identify the province; a

fellow citizen the city; and a fellow

villager the village. This fact, so far

from being a danger, is rather a protec-

tion to many men of respectability, for

they may depend upon the assistance and

sympathy of his compatriots wherever he

may find himself. He need never

report his passage or his arrival to any

official; he may carry what he likes, buy

what he likes, and sell what he likes,

subject only to the demands of the

Customs and octroi stations, which have

only become a serious nuisance since we

'foreigners' disturbed the financial

equilibrium. It is quite unnecessary—

indeed, it is impossible—to make any

official report of the births, marriages,

and deaths occurring in a family. The

State does not concern itself with such

matters, which are purely local interests.

This does not by any means signify that

there is no such thing as registration.

On the contrary, the genealogical

records are kept with the utmost

scrupulousness by the oldest branches of

every surname; with great care even

by ordinary families and with sufficient

practical accuracy even by the hum-

blest people. When a man connects

himself with the official service, i.e.,

when he begins his regular studies

and examinations, or in any other

way aims at an official career,

he must give very specific information

as to his 'three untainted generations.'

But for these purposes family evidence

supported by the voucher of prominent

fellow villagers is accepted as official

evidence, and, in case of future doubts,

official evidence must fall back on family

testimony for corroboration. It is the

practice of isolated or branch families

say the Smiths or Joneses to submit

periodically to the nearest head or

secondary head of the Smith or Jones

clan the branch family register for

control or correction. Thus it happens

that many good families can carry back

their ancestral history for one thousand,

or even for two thousand years. There

are no game-laws in China. Any man

who takes his sport reasonably can shoot

or chase his animals or birds wherever

he may come across them. Nor is there

any jealousy, or exclusiveness about

property. Practically, it may be said,

that there are no hedges in China, nor

are such notices as 'Trespassers' known

on the country roads. Of course,

vegetable gardens and fruit trees may

be and often are protected by a wall;

both as a protection from cattle, pigs

and geese, as from fear of petty pilfer-

ing. Moreover any 'trespasser' or

sportsman who should injure the crop

or the seedlings would be called upon to

explain, not from any legal principle

involved, but just on the same grounds

as he would be expected to pay for

having shot a hen by accident, tramped

on 'clean' washing, or knocked down a

dyo-tub. Reasonable and common-

sense exceptions excepted, any one in

China may at his own peril walk over

or shoot over any land he pleases and

carry away the game. Moreover there

is no 'close time.' A man's house is

not his castle in China in the sense that

he may with impunity from con-

science exclude the world from

ordinary social intercourse. As regards

his own rights and liberties his house is

his castle, and if he chooses to be

churlish he may certainly shut himself

in. But, subject to a decent care not

to obtrude upon the privacy of

women—subject also to a prudent

look-out in one's own interest for the

watchdog—any passer-by may enter the

general apartment, the door which is

rarely on the latch, and is often wide

open, to ask for a glass of water, a light,

or any other trifling hospitality. If his

appearance and manners are reassuring,

he is usually offered a seat, some tea,

and a pipe of tobacco; sometimes even

betel-nut, pickled plums, fruit, cakes,

and other refreshments, according to

locality and season. If these small hos-

pitalities do not always extend to 'for-

eigners,' it is usually because Europeans

and Americans have too often made

themselves an unenviable reputation for

rudeness. Hotels are completely free

all over China; the landlord is in no

way called upon by Government to act

as a spy on his guests, nor need the

guest report his movements to the offi-

cials. In most countries (of the Euro-

pean Continent, the traveller has to fill

in an official form containing a number

of trivial details; in some he has to re-

port the date of his departure, and give

a general account of himself. Certainly,

so far as Europeans are concerned, the

passport is in vogue in China;

but that is no national custom; it is a

rather modern measure of protection

against supposed dangerous schemes,

missionary or otherwise, on the part of

the 'foreigner'; it is also often desirable

to 'protect' him, or at least to watch

him, lest his own authorities should

call upon the Chinese officials to ac-

count for some disappearance, or misap-

propriation of his person. In a word it is

the disagreeable 'extra-

territorial right' claimed by all white

men that often curtails any national or

frank hospitality which would certainly

be shown to them as Chinese citizens.

Since the American buccaner 'gen-

erals' Ward and Burgevine accepted

Chinese nationality in 1862, there has

been no inducement to repeat the ex-

periment. All temples, shrines, and

monuments are open to the public at all

times; this even extends to private

shrines and trading guilds, so long as

the visitor does not attempt to claim as

a right what is conceded as a courtesy.

Of course it may occasionally be the

practice to lock the doors of a public

building from dusk to dawn, in which case

permission might have to be asked to

enter, to inspect, or still more to sleep

THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

[RUSSIAN SERVICE.]

THE RUSSIAN SHIPS IN SHANGHAI.

LONDON, August 20.
News from Washington says that Japan has handed the Secretary of State a note to the Powers, stating that unless Russia disarms the warships in Shanghai forthwith Japan will be forced to take whatever steps she may deem necessary for the protection of her interests. The Secretary of State was careful not to disclose the attitude of the Government, but assured the Minister that America hoped for a continuance of the neutrality.

PORT ARTHUR.

[RUSSIAN SERVICE.]

San Francisco, August 26.
All except four forts have now been captured by the Japanese at Port Arthur and these are expected to fall shortly.

Commander Stessel is reported to have rejected further overtures for surrender and to have declared that there will be no surrender.

During these last assaults the Japanese are believed to have lost very heavily, though no reliable report of the losses have yet been received.

Port Arthur is now largely in the control of the Japanese and their batteries are being strengthened to complete the work of reducing the redoubts still remaining in the hands of the Russians. These positions are the Golden Hill fort, the Tiger Hill fort, the Lushan fort and the One Star Battery.

The Golden Hill fort has again opened fire and preparations are being made to carry it by storm.

Many of the garrison have been taken prisoners by the Japanese.

The Japanese banners are waving from several parts of the city and the Russian flag is being hoisted in some places.

Fighting Near Liaoyang.

Kuropatkin is reported to have used the aggressive and a battle, though not a decisive one, is now in progress near Liaoyang.

During the month of September the battle has been continuing moving north, and it is believed the Russian commander has lost about 100,000 men and 100,000 horses.

The Japanese forces are strongly entrenched and north of Liaoyang.

One column of Japanese is reported to be advancing from the direction of Sinai-cheng to join battle, and it is believed the engagement may become general among the different divisions of the two armies.

FIGHTING NEAR LIAOYANG.

[RUSSIAN SERVICE.]

San Francisco, August 27.
The Japanese forces are fiercely attacking the Russian positions at Liaoyang.

The main attack is being directed against the Russian defenses about eight miles east of the city.

An attack of the Russians made on the Japanese position east of Shilipu, about 24 miles north-east of Liaoyang, has been repulsed.

In spite of the rains the Japanese have been very active and have added large reinforcements. The present movement on Liaoyang is being made from five directions and it is believed Kuropatkin may be compelled to retreat.

The Russians are reported to be evacuating Anshan, midway between Haicheng and Liaoyang, their position there having been made untenable.

St. Petersburg reports state that Kuropatkin's forces concentrated at Liaoyang now outnumber the Japanese forces by two to one.

LATER.

Desperate fighting is reported in the great battle now going on at Liaoyang.

The early advantages gained by the Japanese have been recovered and the Russians are holding their own against repeated assaults of the enemy.

The battle ranges over a line of about 20 miles, from Anping to Tatalenka. A strong flank movement made by the Japanese west of Anping, which at one time threatened to turn the Russian position, was repulsed with heavy loss on the arrival of reinforcements.

In many places fierce hand-to-hand fighting has occurred, the Japanese trying to carry the Russian defenses by storm. The losses are very heavy.

A strong column of Japanese is reported to be advancing on Liaoyang from the south-west, and another menacing Mukden from the north.

Non-Combatants at Port Arthur.

The following dispatch from the Commander of the army besieging Port Arthur reached the Imperial Headquarters on August 19:

Our military messenger delivered the document referring to non-combatants to the Chief of Staff of the Russian garrison at 10.30 a.m. on the 18th instant at a point 500 metres north of the Naval Barracks (Suishu). The terms proposed by us were as follows:

1. Non-combatants who will be allowed to leave the stronghold in compliance with the most humane consideration of his Majesty the Supreme Commander of the Army and Navy, are women, children under sixteen years of age, priests, diplomatic officials, and the officers of Neutral Powers.

2. A reply to this Note should be brought at 10 a.m. on the 17th instant to a point 500 metres north of the Naval Barracks.

3. Refugees from the stronghold should come out bearing white flags, and must arrive at the place mentioned at 2 p.m. on the 17th instant.

4. A group of our infantry bearing a white flag will proceed to the place mentioned, and there await the arrival of the refugees.

5. All refugees will be allowed to carry with them one package containing personal effects. When deemed necessary, the contents of each package shall be examined.

6. Books, printed matter, documents written in ordinary characters or ciphers and articles relating to war shall not be allowed to be carried.

7. Refugees shall be escorted to Dainy under full protection.

8. The reply to these proposals must be either in the affirmative or negative. No amendments to the terms proposed can be permitted.

Correspondent's Mysterious Disappearance.

The friends of Mr. Norman Oulton, who went to Japan some months ago as the correspondent of the London Daily Mail, are much concerned by his sudden disappearance. He had lately been suffering from a severe illness, and was about to return to England, when on August 4th he left his quarters at the Bluff Hotel, Yokohama, and after spending the night at a friend's house in Tsurumi, departed thence in a jinkisha. He was traced afterwards as far as the Ueno Station, but from there no clue to his whereabouts has been found, though every effort has been made by the British Consul through the authorities. As says the Japan Advertiser, he was in a very weak and depressed condition, occasioned by his illness, his disappearance gives great anxiety to his many friends in Yokohama.

Sinking of the 'Rurik'.

A Sasebo dispatch states that the men of the Rurik, who have been brought to Sasebo, those who are wounded are mostly men who were stationed on the lower decks, such as the engine-room. This shows that most of the shots from the Japanese ships struck vital parts of the vessel. By the Russian naval battle it has been discovered that the Russian shells are much less destructive than the Japanese. After the sinking of the Rurik numerous pieces of white wood were seen to be floating on the sea. Upon examination these were found to be broken pieces of the wood which the Rurik had used in the construction of the ship. The Japanese Navy Department has issued a statement to the effect that the officers and men of the Russian cruiser Rurik taken prisoner by the Japanese are:—Officers 16 (7 wounded); Priest 1; Non-combatant officers 4 (3 wounded); Petty Officers 67 (16 wounded); Men 538 (160 wounded); Total 613.

Interview with Admiral Kamimura.

Vice-Admiral Kamimura, Commander-in-Chief of the 2nd Squadron, has returned to Sasebo on duty. While staying at Yamamoto's hotel there, he was good enough to give the Kobe Shinbun's correspondent the following story:

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MEETING OF JUSTICES.

Transfer Granted.

A meeting of Justices of the Peace was held at the Magistracy this afternoon, Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, Senior Police Magistrate, presiding. There were also present Mr. J. H. Kemp, Second Magistrate, Superintendent Bodeley, Mr. C. D. Melbourne, Rev. F. T. Johnson, and Mr. S. S. Hooper.

The first business was an application from Anne Marshall for the transfer of her Publican's License to sell and retail intoxicating liquors on the premises situated at No. 21 and 23 Pottinger Street under the sign of the 'Criterion Hotel' to one George Green.

Mr. M. J. Stephens appeared for Mrs. Marshall, and said that she had been in the Colony for 11 or 12 years and now found the work of the hotel to be too far for her to go to. Mr. Green had been in the Colony for about three months, and had been managing the New Travellers Hotel for Mr. Oliver. He intended to conduct the hotel in conjunction with Mr. Bedford, who had been for some time a resident of Hongkong.

The application was considered in private and granted.

The second application was from Louis Comar to sell and retail intoxicating liquors on the premises situated at No. 61 Des Vaux Road, under the sign of 'The Main Hotel.'

Mr. G. K. Hall Branton appeared in support of this application, and said that Mr. Comar had spent a good deal of money on the premises in improving them and would not be able to make the place pay unless he had a full licence. People living in the vicinity, with one exception, offered no objection. This application was also considered in private for some minutes, and Mr. Gompertz announced that the Justices had decided to refuse it.

Mr. Branton—Would you indicate the grounds for the refusal, your Worship.

Mr. Gompertz—We have decided not to state our reasons.

The meeting then terminated, there being no further business.

CORRESPONDENCE.

LICENSED CHAIRS.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

HONGKONG, August 29.

Sir,—In reply to 'Old Resident's' second letter, that I have 'gone off the rails' in favour of the licensed chair-coolies, permit me to say that the object of my previous letter was to show how unreasonable your correspondents on the above subject were, and not that I was in favour of the licensed chair-coolies.

I contended that it was most unreasonable on their part to have expected the reluctant public chair-coolies to have piled for hire the goods of the country, and to have carried them to the Kowloon Ferry and the Peak Tramway were obliged to temporarily suspend their services. On the afternoon in question there were a large number of chairs plying for hire, but the number was not sufficient to cope with the demand, for, on account of the typhoon, those living on the higher levels, who usually walked from town, hired chairs on this occasion.

With regard to the payment of chair coolies (and riksha coolies) any person not of a mean disposition would pay a reasonable fare, that is, a fare worth the ride, taking into consideration the distance covered.—I am, etc.

NIGHT WAHR.

THE ELECTRIC TRAMWAY.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Sir,—The following points are from a lengthy conversation overheard last evening regarding our Tramway system:

That a 'run down' to Kennedytown would ruin a poor European.

That the Europeans do not appreciate being packed with evil-smelling Celestials.

That on a wet day European ladies would have to occupy a seat previously used by a coolie.

That the live-end sections will not work in the long run with the foreign community, and—

That they would pay a better dividend if 'twas five cents full journey.

That they would like to know why the Tramway people altered the charge against the Portuguese boys.

That a first-class car cannot be a third-class car at the same time.

That this shows that Europeans can travel third-class in the future.

That the 'ricks' are doing a roaring business still.

That when one meets a car in time, one thinks one has struck a gold mine.

That some riksha coolies can sprint the cars to a certain extent.

That the community do not want to see a procession of cars going east and none west, or vice versa.

That John Chinaman gets the privilege, and—

That the sooner the Government or Tramway Co. make some distinction the better.

That the overhead trolley, the conductors, and 'lights out' are a shameful nuisance.

'That money is not picked up in the East now.'

That the cars are constructed for millionaires only.

That the car quit running at 11 p.m., sharp, and—

That it would be better if they quit at sunset.

That some of the conductors' backs are rusty, and they require to be placed in their right places, either by the 'boots' or the 'go.' That certain Hongkong girls say they wouldn't ride in a car for a 'coush.' That one does not want to take 3/4 hour from the P. O. to Causeway Bay.

That if electricity won't work well, use gasolene.

That it is stated the Chinese motorman is very careful—'not one man killed yet!'

That the motorman are far too cautious, and—

That they should make the 'red flag' and send a coolie in front to clear the way.

That Bowring's Canal is not Observation Place, yet.

That Earl Grey do not appreciate the idea of the car being stopped on the way to East point by a bare-headed European dressed in Chinese silk and asking the conductor, 'Which side you come? Have come from Kennedy Town?'

That he did not get a reply.

That this happened a few evenings back, and—

That this European should keep off the track.—Yours, etc.

OLD SUBSCRIBER.

Hongkong, August 30.

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

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Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Australian Ports	Eastern (s)	Gibb, Livingstone & Co.	Sept. 17, at Noon.
Australian Ports	Bangha (s)	Butterfield & Swire	September 16.
Amor, Straits, & Hong	Palancotta (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Sept. 17, at Daylight.
Cebu & Iloilo	Sungking (s)	Butterfield & Swire	September 2.
Foochow & Shanghai	Woocong (s)	Butterfield & Swire	August 31.
Genoa, Marse, & Pool	Idomeneus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	September 22.
Genoa, Marse, & Pool	Atineus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 22.

Java Ports.....	Pilatip (s)	Java-China-Japan Line	2nd half of Sept.
Japan via Shanghai.....	Pilipanas (s)	Java-China-Japan Line	1st half of Sept.
Java Ports.....	Pimahi (s)	Java-China-Japan Line	1st half of Sept.
Kobe.....	Changsha (s)	Butterfield & Swire.....	September 2.
Kobe.....	Kobe (s)	Butterfield & Swire.....	About Sept. 4.
L'don.....	Peleus (s)	Butterfield & Swire.....	Sept. 10.
L'don, Am'dam, A'erp.....	Glaucus (s)	Butterfield & Swire.....	Sept. 19.
L'don, Am'dam, A'erp.....	Tydeus (s)	Butterfield & Swire.....	September 27.
L'don, Am'dam, A'erp.....	Patricius (s)	Butterfield & Swire.....	October 11.
London, &c.....	Chusan (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.....	Sept. 10, at Noon.
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London & Antwerp.....	Benvoli (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	About Sept. 7.
Marseilles via Saigon.....	Manche (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Sept. 6, at 1 p.m.
Manila.....	Kasteru (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Sept. 17, at Noon.
Manila.....	Treantou (s)	Doddwell & Co. Limited	About Sept. 10.
Manila.....	Ati (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Sept. 3, at Noon.
Manila.....	Zebu (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Sept. 10, at 10 a.m.
Manila.....	Yuenang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Sept. 2, at 4 p.m.
New York v. Suez Canal.....	Attholi (s)	Doddwell & Co. Limited	About Sept. 20.
New York v. Suez Canal.....	Macauli (s)	Doddwell & Co. Ltd.	About Sept. 27.
New York v. Suez Canal.....	Epauon (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	About Sept. 3.
New York v. Suez Canal.....	Epauon (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	About Sept. 10.
New York v. Suez Canal.....	Hudson (s)	Standard Oil Co.....	About Sept. 15.
Shanghai.....	Bongal (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.....	About Sept. 8.
S'pore, Pang, Calcutta.....	Lightning (s)	D. Basson, Scans & Co.	Sept. 1, at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Pang, U'lo he.....	Nippon (s)	Sander, Wieler & Co.	Aug. 31, p.m.

S'hai and Portland, Or.	Argus (s) (a)	Portland & A. S. Co.	Sept. 14.
S'hai and Portland, Or.	Nuonista (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	October 10.
S'hai and Portland, Or.	Nicotinoda (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	October 27.
S'tow, Amoy, Foochow	Triumph (s)	Oaska Shosen Kaisha.	Aug. 31, at 10 a.m.
S'tow, Amoy & Tamsui	M. Struve (s)	Oaska Shosen Kaisha.	Sept. 4, at 10 a.m.
S'tow, Amoy & Anping	Providence (s)	Oaska Shosen Kaisha.	Sept. 7, at 10 a.m.
S'tow, Amoy & Tamsui	Frithof (s)	Oaska Shosen Kaisha.	Sept. 11, at 10 a.m.
S'tow, Amoy, Foochow	Hatching (s)	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Sept. 1, at Noon.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Jeinides (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	September 17.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Shawmut (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	September 24.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Tremont (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	October 1.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of Japan (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	Sept. 21.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Athenian (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	October 12.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of China (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	October 19.
Y'ma, S'hai, Moji, Kobe	Japan (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	about Sept. 3.

August 30, 1904.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations, Cash.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	\$ 125	all	\$850, ex div.
National Bank of China, Limited...	19,970	£ 10	£ 8	\$33, buyers
Do. Founders' shares	29,965	£ 10	£ 8	\$33, buyers
MARINE INSURANCE CO.	750	£ 1	£ 1	\$10, buyers
Canton Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$ 250	\$ 50	\$210, buyers
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	\$ 83.33	\$ 25	\$83
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 15	£ 5	7½. 67½, buyers

Union Insurance Society, Ltd.	10,000	\$	250	160	\$570, buyers
Yongtze Insurance Association, Ltd.	8,000	\$	100	60	\$135
FIRE INSURANCE.					
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$	100	20	\$88
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$	250	50	\$310, sales & buyers
DOCK & CARGO.					
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd.,	50,000	\$	50	all	\$327, ex div.
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited.	6,000	\$	25	25	\$48, sellers
New Amoy Dock Co. Ltd.	6,000	\$	6	6	\$274, sellers
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co. Ltd.	56,700	Tls.	100	Tls. 100	Tls. 172½
TRANSPORT, STEAM, &C.					
China and Manilla S. S. Co. Ltd.	30,000	\$	50	50	\$26, sales & buyers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$	50	all	\$35, sales
H.K. & M. Steamboat Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$	15	15	\$28, buyers
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited.	20,000	\$	10	all	\$117, sales & buyers
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	10,000	\$	10	8	\$88, buyers
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$	10	5	\$22, buyers
do. Preference.	100,000	E	1	1	26/- sellers
Taku Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd.	8,800	Tls.	50	Tls. 50	Tls. 30, sellers
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	200,000	Tls.	60	Tls. 60	Tls. 47, buyers
do. Preference.	100,000	Tls.	60	Tls. 60	Tls. 46, buyers
REFINERY.					
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	\$	100	a	\$197, ex div., buyers
Lazoo Sugar Company, Limited.	7,000	\$	100	a	\$9, sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	7,000	Tls.	60	T	\$75, Tls. 60
WHAFTS.					
H.K. & Kwong Wharf & Godown Co.	30,000	\$	50	all	\$115, buyers

Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	20,100	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 155, ex div., sales
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agriculture Company, Limited	50,000	£ 100	100	\$154, buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 112, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	£ 50	50	388
Wei-hai-wei Land & Building Co., Ltd.	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 10
Humphreys Ketate & Finance Co.	100,000	£ 10	10	813, sellers
West Point Building Co., Limited ..	12,500	£ 60	£ 50	\$47, buyers
TRAMWAYS.				
H.K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,250	£ 100	all	\$390, buyers
MINE.				
Société Française des Charbon- nages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	\$490
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	£ 1	18/10	\$61, buyers
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	£ 50	all	\$135, buyers
Astor House Hotel, Ltd. (Nienten) ..	2,000	T. Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 150, sellers
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shai)	30,000	£ 25	£ 25	\$44, buyers
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	80,000	£ 10	all	\$15, buyers
Watkins Limited	10,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$87, sales
WARTS.				

H.K. and China Gas Co., Limited,	7,000	\$	10	all	\$180, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.,	8,000	Tls.	60	Tls.	55, sales
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited,	30,000	\$	10	17 1/2	\$116, sales & buyers
New Electricos (new issue)	30,000	\$	6	5 1/2	\$81, buyers
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.,	50,000	\$	10	10	\$301, buyers
MISCELLANEOUS.					
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency,	8,804	E	12 1/2	12 1/2	\$6, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency,	2,000	\$	5	4	\$94, buyers
..... Limited,	10,000	\$	10	10	\$185
Ek Stearns Water-boat Co., Ltd.,	7,000	\$	10	10	\$19
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.,	10,000	\$	7 1/2	all	\$21, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited,	5,000	\$	7 1/2	all	\$21, buyers
.....	Tls.	35	Tls.	35, sales

Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	20,000	5	5	6	21,400
Tehran Planting Company, Ltd.	10,000	5	5	0	11,000
T'ungchow Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	5	5	0	11,000
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	10,000	5	5	0	11,000
Kwo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	10	5	0	21,500
International Cotton Manufacturers Co., Ltd.	10,000	10	5	0	11,000
Loan-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	10	10	0	9,000
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	8,000	10	10	0	9,000
China Provident Loan Mortgage	10,000	5	5	0	11,000

China Borneo Company, Ltd.	60,000	12	12	\$10, sales
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	10	all	\$37, buyers
Wm. Powell, Ltd.	12,000	10	10	\$12, buyers
Shanghai and Hongkong Dyeing and Bleaching Co., Ltd.	1,200	50	50	\$50
The Canton-Hongkong Ice and Cold Storage Company, Limited	70,000	10	10	\$10, Nominal
STEAM COMPANIES				
Philippine Co., Ltd.	67,500	10	10	\$94, sellers
Alhambra Limited	300	600	600	\$15, sellers

LOANS	STOCKS	BILLS	INTEREST	COMMISSION
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